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RUBIN TO PRESENT BLACK PATRIOTS COMMEMORATIVE COINS

Treasury Secretary Robert E. Rubin will present three Black Patriots commemorative coins in a ceremony at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, February 25, at the National Archives Theater, Pennsylvania Avenue at 7th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Black Patriots Foundation President Wayne Smith, Co-Chair of the Foundation's Leadership Committee and actor Ossie Davis and Michael J. Walker, 8th grade student from Washington, D.C.'s Robert H. Terrell Junior High School, will receive the silver one dollar coins commemorating Black Revolutionary War Patriots.

The coins also commemorate the 275th anniversary of the birth of the first black Revolutionary War patriot, Crispus Attucks, who was the first American colonist killed by British troops during the Revolutionary period. The U.S. Mint is authorized by Public Law 104-329 to produce up to 500,000 one dollar silver coins. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the coins are authorized to be used to support the construction of the Black Patriots Memorial on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

Media should use the Pennsylvania Avenue entrance between 7th and 9th Streets, N.W.

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